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COMMITTEE REPORT

YES:	11
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MR. SPEAKER:

*Your Committee on Commerce and Economic Development, to which was referred House Bill 1212, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill **be amended** as follows:*

- 1 Delete the title and insert the following:
- 2 A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning utilities.
- 3 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
- 4 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] **(a) The general**
- 5 **assembly finds that a simplified interconnection and net metering**
- 6 **program for net metering facilities would:**
- 7 **(1) encourage private investment in renewable and clean**
- 8 **energy resources;**
- 9 **(2) stimulate economic growth in Indiana;**
- 10 **(3) encourage energy independence and security; and**
- 11 **(4) enhance the diversification of Indiana's energy resources.**
- 12 **(b) As used in this SECTION, "commission" refers to the**
- 13 **Indiana utility regulatory commission created by IC 8-1-1-2.**

(c) The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement a net metering program for the development of high efficiency, small scale electric generating facilities of up to two (2) megawatts in Indiana that do at least one (1) of the following:

(1) Provide benefits in the form of support for electric distribution or transmission systems, power quality, or environmental performance.

(2) Employ technologies such as hydroelectric, wind, fuel cells, or photovoltaic systems that may be situated in, on, or next to buildings or other electric load centers.

The net metering program participants must include commercial and industrial customers.

(d) The commission shall begin the rule adoption process under IC 4-22-2 before June 1, 2004. Not later than November 1, 2004, the commission shall report its progress under subsection (c) in electronic format under IC 5-14-6 to the regulatory flexibility committee established by IC 8-1-2.6-4.

SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.

(Reference is to HB 1212 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

